



Positions Statements Related to Chiropractors Issued by the Chiropractic Examining Board

MAY A CHIROPRACTOR USE LIGHT THERAPY AS A TREATMENT MODALITY?

Light therapy is included in the Physiological Therapeutics authorized by Wis. Admin. Code Chir 10.05. See also s. Chir 4.05 (2) (e) and (g).

ARE CHIROPRACTORS PERMITTED TO DO EXTREMITY MANIPULATION?

Pursuant to Wisconsin Administrative Code Chir 4.03, the practice of chiropractic includes the application of chiropractic science in the adjustment of the spinal column, skeletal articulations and adjacent tissue, which also includes the use of procedures and instruments preparatory and complementary to treatment of the spinal column, skeletal articulations and adjacent tissue. Accordingly, extremity manipulations may be done, either as preparatory or complementary to the treatment of the spinal column, or separately.

ARE CHIROPRACTORS PERMITTED TO USE NEEDLE ELECTROMYOGRAPHY (NEMG)?

The Board has determined that the use of Needle Electromyography (NEMG) is within the scope of practice of a chiropractor as defined by Wis. Stat. § 446.01(2) and Wis. Admin. Code Chir 4.03, and has authorized the use of NEMG by chiropractors with adequate training under certain circumstances.

Specifically, NEMG may be utilized by Chiropractors for diagnostic purposes. NEMG equipment may be operated only by a chiropractor who has the education, training and expertise necessary to be eligible for, or has been admitted to, Diplomate status by the American Board of Chiropractic Neurology (DABCN or DACNB). The requisite education, training and expertise presume passage of the ABCN exam.

IS IT PERMISSIBLE FOR A CHIROPRACTOR TO DELEGATE ADJUNCTIVE SERVICES TO A NON-LICENSED PERSON?

Yes, as long as it is within the confines of Wis. Stat. §§ [446.01\(1d\)](#) and [446.02\(7\)](#). See also [Wis. Admin. Code ch. Chir 10](#) which further defines “Delegation to Unlicensed Persons.”